



# Board of Trustees Action Items

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**Board Hires A.J. Krieger to Serve as New Town Administrator** – The Town of Erie has hired Arthur J. (A.J.) Krieger as its new Town Administrator.

During their June 14, 2011 Regular Meeting, the Town of Erie Board of Trustees approved a contract with A.J. Krieger to serve as the new Town Administrator effective August 1st. Mr. Krieger was chosen over three other finalists following interviews that were conducted on May 31st and June 1st.

Krieger has over fifteen years of experience in municipal government administration, eight of those years as a city manager. Krieger is currently the City Manager of Sheridan, Colorado where he has served since July, 2008. Prior to that, he was the City Manager of Northglenn, Colorado for approximately two years. He previously served as City Manager of Ferguson, Missouri and Assistant City Manager for the City of Decatur, Illinois. He also served as Director of Economic Development for the City of Decatur.

Krieger received his Master's Degree in Public Administration from St. Louis University. He received his Bachelor's Degree in Speech Communication from Southern Illinois University.

"I'm honored to be given the opportunity to bring my experience and enthusiasm to such a progressive community," Krieger said. "I look forward to working with the Board, Staff and residents to achieve the Town's goals."

Mr. Krieger's contract provides him with a \$127,500 annual base salary, a 10% retirement contribution, a \$500 per month auto allowance, and the same health, dental, disability, life, liability, and other insurance coverage as provided by the Town to all employees. Mr. Krieger is an employee-at-will and serves at the pleasure of the Board. Because he can be terminated at any time and with or without cause, the contract also provides for six months of severance pay in the event that he is terminated by the Board.

The hiring of Krieger completes a five month nation-wide search to replace former Town Administrator Mike N. Acimovic who resigned in January of this year.

**Board Approves “Land Swap” for Future Site of Erie Police Department Public Safety Facility -**

At the Board’s request, Town Staff has been in negotiations with Coalton Road Investments, LLC and Clear Creek 48, LLC for the purpose of obtaining property suitable for the construction of the future Town of Erie Police Department Public Safety Facility. The parties have successfully negotiated the terms of two separate Purchase and Sale Agreements. Terms of the first Purchase and Sale Agreement include the purchase of the Town-owned property at 1149 Telleen Avenue (former Department of Public Works Maintenance Facility) by Coalton Road Investments, LLC and Clear Creek 48, LLC in the amount of \$750,000. This sale price is greater than the minimum sale price of \$745,000 authorized by Town of Erie voters under Ballot Question 2C during the April 6, 2010 Regular Election. The second Purchase and Sale Agreement includes the purchase of Lot 2, Block 9 of the Creekside Subdivision by the Town in an amount of \$665,000. This site is located on the southwest corner of County Line Road and Telleen Avenue.

**Purchase and Sale Agreement Terms:**

- Purchase price for the old Public Works Maintenance Facility: \$750,000
- Purchase price for the new Police Department Public Safety Facility site: \$665,000.00
- Purchaser of property has 30 days from the date the contract to inspect the property prior to closing

**BACKGROUND:** Erie Police Department Public Safety Facility: The Board has previously approved a contract for Architectural Services with Roth Sheppard Architects for the Phase One Design of the Erie Police Department Public Safety Facility Expansion Project. The architects can now continue the conceptual design process of the Safety Facility on this new site.

**Ballot Question 2C:** On April 6, 2010, Town of Erie voters approved Ballot Question 2C with 3,219 voters approving and 679 voters not approving. Ballot Question 2C read as follows: “Shall the Town of Erie be authorized to sell the real property located at 1149 Telleen Avenue, legally described as Lot 1, Erie Industrial Empire Venture Subdivision – Block 2, Town of Erie, Also known as the Department of Public Works Facility on the following terms and consideration: Sale price equal to or greater than the market value of the real property at the time of sale, but no less than \$745,000, to be paid in cash.

**Board Approves Bridgewater Development Rezoning Request –** The Board approved an ordinance at the applicant’s request to rezone a portion of the Bridgewater development from Medium Density Residential, Community Mixed Use and Agricultural/Open Space to Low Density Residential. The applicant is requesting this change to assure that the housing density of the zone district matches the proposed uses for the property as presented in the Sketch Plan Application during the joint study session with the Planning Commission and Board of Trustees in April of this year. The Planning

Commission held a public hearing for the Rezoning request on June 1, 2011 and unanimously (7-0) recommended approval of the rezoning.

**BACKGROUND:** The Town of Erie Board of Trustees approved the Bridgewater Annexation Agreement in October of 2007 with Tallgrass Investors, LLC (applicant). The Annexation Agreement allows for a total of 2,880 residential units. The Bridgewater property is located on the northwest corner of Weld County Road 5 and Erie Parkway and is approximately 965 acres in size. In February of 2011, the applicant submitted a Sketch Plan Application to the Town outlining their development proposal.

**Mayor Wilson Presents Young Patriots Award** – Mayor Wilson presented the Young Patriots Award to Audra Alvarado and Natalie Valdez who led those in attendance in reciting the pledge of allegiance.



*Photo: Mayor Joe Wilson presents the Young Patriots Award to Audra Alvarado and Natalie Valdez.*

**Upcoming Board of Trustees Meetings** – The next regularly scheduled [Board of Trustees](#) meeting will be on Tuesday, June 28, 2011 at 6:30 pm. All meetings are held in the [Town Hall boardroom](#) located at 645 Holbrook Street in Erie.

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